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- X 1. An application consisting of 28 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 6 sheets of drawings is attached.
- X 2. A newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- X 3. An Assignment of the invention to TEAC Corporation is enclosed, together with a Recordation Cover Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.31 and our check including the amount of \$40.00 to cover the recordation fee. Please record this Assignment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.11.
- X 4. Priority of Application No. 2002-375254, filed in Japan on December 25, 2002, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy of the priority document is attached.

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Independent Claims	5 - 3	=	2	x	86	=	172
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TOTAL							\$982

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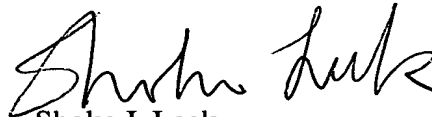
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